

## Benefits Terminated for All Disabled Beneficiaries

**Table 46.**  
**Number, by reason for termination, 2004**

Reason for termination	All beneficiaries	Workers and nondisabled dependents				Widow(er)s	Adult children of—		
		Workers	Spouses	Children under age 18	Students aged 18–19		Disabled workers	Retired workers	Deceased workers
Total	961,581	470,017	48,951	284,617	102,595	23,572	8,834	4,682	18,313
Death of beneficiary	214,967	188,205	1,439	753	61	6,448	589	3,120	14,352
Termination resulting from death of worker <sup>a</sup>	49,846	...	7,201	38,752	1,509	...	2,384	...	...
Attainment of age—									
18 by children	193,534	...	...	193,534	...	...	...	...	...
19 by students	12,869	...	...	...	12,869	...	...	...	...
FRA by disabled workers	233,894	206,346	17,672	6,157	321	...	3,398	...	...
FRA by disabled widow(er)s	16,273	...	...	...	...	16,273	...	...	...
Elected reduced retirement	1,082	1,082	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Termination of spouse's benefit because child attains age 16	16,497	...	16,497	...	...	...	...	...	...
Marriage, remarriage, or divorce of beneficiary	5,386	...	1,899	2,012	196	11	425	248	595
Entitlement to an equal or larger Social Security benefit	2,393	...	1,087	201	12	315	130	275	373
Does not meet medical standards <sup>b</sup>	116,371	54,061	2,745	41,955	12,011	229	1,716	889	2,765
Medical improvement <sup>c</sup>	--	25,256	--	--	--	59	638	229	901
Work above substantial gainful activity <sup>d</sup>	--	28,613	--	--	--	166	965	593	1,710
Miscellaneous reasons <sup>e</sup>	--	192	--	--	--	4	113	67	154
Student no longer attending school	75,583	...	...	...	75,583	...	...	...	...
Other	22,886	20,323	411	1,253	33	296	192	150	228

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Annual Award and Termination Transaction file, 100 percent data.

NOTES: These data represent the total number of beneficiaries whose benefits were terminated during the calendar year regardless of the effective date of the termination.

Data include closed period awards.

... = not applicable; FRA = full retirement age; -- = not available.

- a. Beneficiaries are terminated from the Disability Trust Fund and start receiving benefits from the Retirement Survivor Trust Fund.
- b. Dependents' benefits terminate when the disabled worker no longer meets the requirements for disability benefits. Disabled widow(er)s and disabled adult children of deceased or retired workers lose their benefits when they no longer meet the requirements for disability benefits.
- c. Includes beneficiaries who medically improved, who did not cooperate during the medical review, or whose whereabouts are unknown.
- d. Excludes disabled beneficiaries whose monthly benefits have been suspended because they are engaging in substantial gainful activity during the extended period of eligibility.
- e. Includes beneficiaries who did not comply with alcohol or drug abuse treatment programs or who refused vocational rehabilitation services.

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